

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This is a national phase application of International Application PCT/GB03/002577, filed June 13, 2003, and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/389,777, filed June 19, 2002. This invention relates to an apparatus and method for controlling the tension in moving yarns. More specifically, it compensates for varying tension over the time of a process and results in consistent strand tension, which is often desirable for the next downstream process.